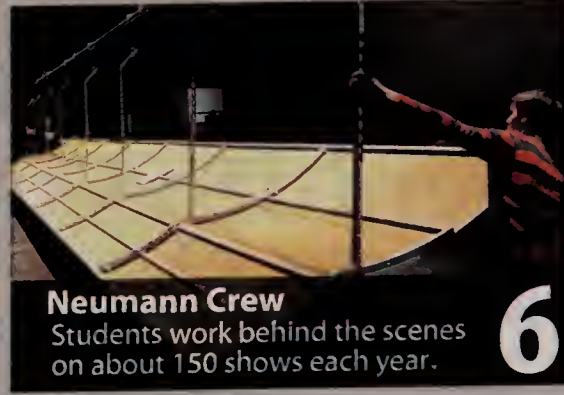


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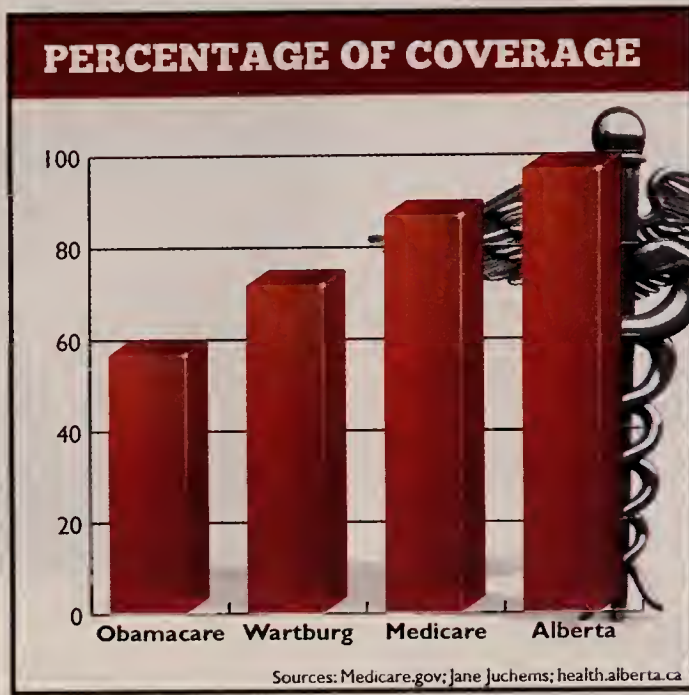
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Wartburg College does not expect to see any major changes to their benefits package due to President Obama's new health insurance package that took effect at the first of the year.

Human Resources Director, Jane Juchems, said the college needs to review the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, or ObamaCare, before making any changes to Wartburg's policy. "We have to study our language and policies and see if that's consistent with the intent of the law. It's the number one thing on my plate this year," Juchems said.

By Jan. 1, 2014, Wartburg will need to provide affordable health care to eligible employees according to the ObamaCare employer requirements to avoid paying a fee.

ObamaCare eligibility is based on the number of hours an employee works each week. Wartburg's benefits are currently based on the number of classes a professor teaches, or the total number



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of hours worked in a year by staff. Juchems said the difficult part of the process is learning how work hours relate to the number of classes taught.

"We have always been very

committed to offering health care to our employees and their families," Juchems said.

The benefit packages Wartburg currently offers is available to professors who teach five class slots,

and part-time staff.

Although Professor Barbara Harken has taught English classes at Wartburg for seven years, she does not currently qualify for insurance coverage. She said she and her husband are covered by Medicare and supplemental Blue Cross insurance policies.

Harken said she does not think ObamaCare will affect her at Wartburg, but she is very thankful for the change.

"I think ObamaCare is a god-send for so many," she said. "I believe health care is a right, not a privilege. Adjuncts are spread out over several institutions. This may be the only way they will be financially able to purchase insurance."

Juchems said that many of the adjunct professors at Wartburg are not eligible for insurance coverage, but several have other jobs that do offer coverage. She said it can be hard for employees and she realizes that.

Dr. Geoffrey Wilson has a unique situation when it comes to

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Grace to open Jimmy John's

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Gary Grace, vice president for administration has announced his retirement from Wartburg College and plans for opening a Jimmy John's in Waverly.

Grace said he doesn't know if there is ever a right time to leave a job but he wanted to see if operating a business would be something he can do before he retires in five to ten years.

"One of the things that made the decision a little bit easier was that we could do that [open a business] in Waverly. We wanted to stay in Waverly and stay close to Wartburg," Grace said.

Grace said that he first heard about Jimmy John's from looking at one of his son's debit card statements and thought the franchise would be a good fit for a community with a college like Wartburg.

The process of deciding to invest in a franchise took about 18 months.

"The reason a person would choose to open a franchise rather, in my case, my own sub sandwich shop is because I was looking for a model that was already proven," he said. "I was interested in not starting from scratch and getting a company that I had confidence in."

The Jimmy John's will be located next to Family Video. Grace said he wanted a central location that would help make deliveries fast and he wanted it to be in walking distance of the college.

The space is undergoing construction and Grace said he hopes to have it open early March.

Brittany Manning is a Wartburg student who said she is excited about Jimmy John's coming to Waverly.

"I love Jimmy John's but I am a little upset I can only enjoy it for about two months before I graduate," Manning said.

Drew Wagenhoffer was originally from the East Coast where he said he is used to having good subs and when he came here the only place he knew about was Subway. He said he is excited about the Jimmy John's and plans to eat there often.

Although most Jimmy John's are open late Grace said it has not

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Scholarship Day participant numbers are on the rise

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With the rise of costs to attend Wartburg, scholarship days are important to many prospective students. Wartburg hosts a few scholarship days each year and this year's numbers are showing a two percent increase.

Scholarship days allow potential students to get another opportunity to talk with faculty, students and coaches, and it gives those involved a chance to interact with them, Assistant Vice President of Admissions, Todd Coleman said.

Wartburg hosts three scholarship days a year and each time almost 100 Wartburg faculty, staff, coaches, alumni and students participate in the day.

"It helps us learn more about the students and to make sure this decision they are making is the right one for us and them," Coleman said.

Students that attend Wartburg using either the Presidents or Regents scholarships make up 60 percent of new freshmen each year, and the past four years show

that 55 percent of the students who attend a scholarship day attend Wartburg, Coleman said.

Coleman said they continue to interview students who qualify but missed the scholarship day. The two percent increase seen so far this year is based on a one percent increase for every four students.

"Right now, we're not exactly comparing apples to apples, because our other end of the year numbers aren't in yet," Coleman said.

Wartburg's personalized touch for these scholarship days aren't lost on prospective students and families.

Bob Beardsley, who has visited Wartburg for many scholarship days, said Wartburg seems to be above the other colleges he and his daughter have visited.

"I remember them passing out Wartburg magazines to all the kids and at one visit they gave them medals," Beardsley said. "Its touches like these where you can tell they want to make you feel at home."

Rochelle Beardsley, who participated in the communication

arts visit day and other scholarship days, said she enjoyed it because it gave her more of an idea of what she could actually study in that field.

"I never fully realized what communication arts fully encompassed but after I visited I realized more of what it does and what you can do," Rochelle Beardsley said.

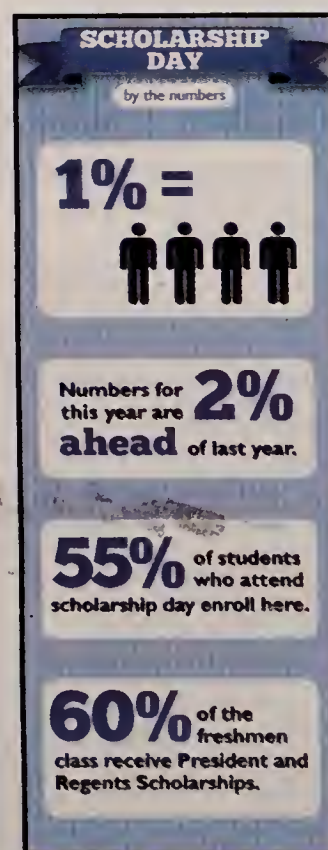
Both Bob and Rochelle Beardsley said that out of the other schools they have visited, Wartburg is the only one to put together events like the scholarship days.

Coleman said the interaction that takes place between the student, their family and the people involved at Wartburg is very valuable and plays a role in the student's decision.

The Admissions office tries to stay current with their efforts of reaching out to students. Coleman said they continue to work harder to develop deep relationships by working with one student at a time.

"It's not a kind of magic wand thing where you think you're going to increase numbers by just one specific thing," Coleman

said. "I think what sets us apart is the attention Wartburg shows its students."



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NEWS

Wartburg West offers deadline extension

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The Wartburg West application deadline for the summer session has been extended to Feb. 28 to potentially fill the few slots left open, Jo Dorrance, internship coordinator in the CCE, said.

As of Jan. 23 there were 15 students enrolled to attend this summer, but Dorrance said she is working with two students already who had intended to apply but missed the deadline. Though this number isn't the full capacity of 20 that the summer program can handle, Dorrance said the numbers have actually been consistent over the past five years, staying steady around 40-45 students per year, for all sessions.

"There's no question that there have been highs and dips, so my goal when I came in was to make that more level and if we look at the numbers, I think we've really done that," Dorrance said.

Bonita Bock, co-director of the Wartburg West program, said she would love for the program to be at capacity every semester but said that isn't necessarily realistic.

"I think it's true that there was a point at which we were concerned, but that's sort of how the sophomore program started," Bock said.

Dorrance projects that the numbers will fall around 46 this year thanks to the extended summer application deadline.

"That early deadline, in hindsight, wasn't the best thing for students," Dorrance said, "Unless I get just inundated with

applications, we should be able to accept another two or three students."

Sarah Fike, who is in Denver this semester, said she thinks the program's presence on campus could be more prominent.

"To be honest, I don't think some students have enough information to have a good perception of the program," Fike said.

One of the biggest problems the program runs into is a lack of student pre-planning, Bock said.

"Every time I go to campus someone says to me that they really wanted to go but couldn't by the time they decided to and I hate to hear that because with proper planning most people could attend," Bock said.

Fike said the program creates an experience that can potentially allow for an easier transition after graduation.

The program also lets students test their limits and often times find that they were nothing more than self-imposed, Bock said.

"Students have a very good foundational basis that comes from Wartburg and in Denver they get to see that in practice and find that they are very capable, have much greater confidence when they leave and it allows them to do so much more than they might have thought they were capable of doing," Bock said.

Those interested in applying for the summer session of Wartburg West can contact Jo Dorrance at jo.dorrance@wartburg.edu.

McAtee won trip to 57th Presidential Inauguration

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Wartburg student Beth McAtee was one of the predicted 800,000 people attending the Presidential Inauguration of the 44th President of the United States Barack Obama last Monday.

"It was my first time being there so it was really exciting to start off with, then there were thousands of extra people in the city that weekend than there usually was," McAtee said. "It was really crowded but it wasn't bad."

McAtee won a raffle for tickets to Washington D.C. for the inauguration from Rep. Bruce Braley. McAtee chose to take her mom along for the trip.

"I was totally excited to go. It was my birthday when she told me," Beth's mom, Christie McAtee, said. "I had never even flown before so it was a great experience."

President Obama's second inauguration was the first time Beth McAtee saw the president.

"We were really far back so it was actually kind of hard to see him but just that kind of ripple that goes through the crowd when they do see him it was really cool to just feel that energy going," Beth McAtee said. "You get excited even though you can't actually see him with your own eyes knowing you're in the presence of the president of the United States."

Being in the crowd of around 800,000 made the event even more exciting, the McAtees said.

"It was cool and kind of crazy. It was like being in a river current and not being able to get out of it," Christie McAtee said.

They got to see the ceremony in the area behind the reflection pool at the Capitol.



Beth McAtee, won raffle tickets to the Inauguration from Rep. Bruce Braley (left). McAtee and her mother were two out of the 800,000 people in attendance to see the historic moment. — Submitted Photo

In addition to seeing the inauguration ceremonies, the McAtees also met Rep. Braley at a reception hosted for all the winners of the raffle.

Before attending the ceremonies, the McAtees got the chance to see many historical monuments, including the Washington Monument, Lincoln Monument, Martin Luther King Monument, the White House, the House of Representatives and the National Archives over the weekend.

Beth McAtee said she learned a

lot about the role citizens play in government.

"I feel like people are more involved in government than most people might think," Beth McAtee said. "If you want to talk to your congressman you can, and you can make a difference. I didn't really realize that before."

Beth McAtee said during the ceremony it didn't matter who was a Republican or Democrat, everyone was excited to be there.

Ice storm causes major problems



Sunday, Jan. 27 an ice storm that affected the entire state of Iowa caused traveling to be fairly difficult. Freezing rain in the north caused problems all day. Church services were cancelled along with sporting events and the Wartburg International Host Family potluck. Vogel Library was also closed. The roads were so bad that many people could not make it to work. Students had a hard time walking across campus and many off-campus students could not drive to the college. "Driving was difficult. I went very slow but I wasn't surprised when there weren't a lot of people on the roads," Melanie Oeltjenbruns said. — Kristin Canning /TRUMPET

Alce Smith receives sentence year after charges were pressed

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Former Wartburg student Alce Smith received his sentencing for the incident on campus involving a female student on Oct. 27, 2011.

Smith was convicted of assault with intent to commit sexual abuse and received two years suspended probation and a \$625 fine by the Iowa District Court in Bremer County.

According to the original criminal complaint, Smith and a

woman were watching a movie in a dorm room during which Smith made sexual advances toward the woman.

The woman said she did not want to have sex.

Smith is a resident from Plainfield, Ill.



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NEWS

Tubbs informs forensics audience about 'differently-abled'

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Andrew Tubbs just wants you to laugh.

He doesn't want you to feel different around him because he has a physical disability. He made that point clear when he performed an after-dinner speech at UNI's Henderson Invitational Forensics Tournament Jan. 19 about the limitations of video games for "differently-abled" people.

Andrew has Thrombocytopenia-absent radius (TAR) syndrome, an extremely rare genetic disease characterized by blood platelet deficiency and the absence of a radius in either forearm. His speech focused on movement-based video games like Xbox Kinect not being accessible for people with physical disabilities.

"When I make the first T-Rex joke, people get that look on their face like, 'Oh no, can I laugh?'" Tubbs said with a smile. "I can make them feel more comfortable around disabled people and bridge that gap."

Tubbs first tried to play Xbox Kinect at a store demonstration. When the game requested he put his hands above his head to start it, he knew right away that he wouldn't be able to play.

"I was laughing my butt off at the time, but it's something that always stuck with me," he said. "Video games are a form of



Andrew Tubbs enjoys playing traditional controller video games but is unable to play movement-based games like Xbox Kinect. He presented this issue in a forensics speech Jan. 19. — Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

escapism for a lot of people; they can have the same effects as low-grade tranquilizers. If you're not able to play, you can't escape from your disability."

Tubbs said Xbox Kinect at first did not recognize seated players, but has now adapted its games for those in wheelchairs. He said games created for disabled people aren't mainstream games, but ones that most people aren't interested in.

"Video game designers make decisions based on cost benefit

analysis. They don't think about the market of disabled people," he said.

Tubbs suggests in his speech that video game companies consider controller button remapping for people that can only use one side of a controller, dialogue and text-to-speech features and camera adjustments in movement-based games that pick up on more body types and abilities.

Tubbs would also like more popular games like Call of Duty to be made accessible.

Tubbs placed second in his event at the Henderson Invitational before performing again at the Bob Smith Invitational at Wartburg Jan. 20. He'll continue to use this speech throughout the season.

Professor in Communication Arts Travis Bockenstedt judged performers at the Bob Smith tournament. He admired how Tubbs put himself out there in his speech.

"Andrew does have a disability and he doesn't hide it," Bockenstedt said. "He used humor and persuasion to inform his audience. It

was a brave thing to do and an innovative way to connect with the audience."

Tubbs said there are several issues he and other disabled people face that others might not realize. He said he has issues reaching food in the Mensa and concerns about three non-handicap accessible doors in the skywalks.

Tubbs said the speech was a way to address a concern about video games and tie it to society's perception of the disabled.

"We're basically the same as everyone else. I might have a little difficulty driving a car, but not many can drive a wheelchair like I can," Tubbs said. "Most disabled people aren't easily offended, but they can be if you try not to offend them and play down to them."

Assistant Director of Forensics David Brennan said Tubbs' dedication made his speech successful.

"One of the best ways to get people to enjoy listening to your speech is to have passion for the topic," Brennan said. "He enjoys what he's doing. People give that back in the audience."

Tubbs wants to become an inspirational speaker and continue to help the disabled community. He won't be retiring the jokes any time soon.

"I love the slow build of a joke and then delivering the punch line, feeding off the audience," he said. "I like making people laugh."

Wartburg Net Impact looks to succeed in Small Steps, Big Wins challenge again

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Small Steps, Big Wins Campus Challenge has launched the new season on college campuses around the world, including Wartburg. Small steps inspire students to take small actions that add up to big social and environmental impact.

The challenge was started by Net Impact, a nonprofit group that empowers people to work toward a sustainable future, Paul Campbell, director of community growth and engagement at Net Impact, said.

"We have found that students realize that by taking small steps they can make a difference and develop a lifelong commitment to positive change," Campbell said.

During the 14-week challenge, thousands of students compete against their peers and other college campuses to make the most actions and win recognition and prizes.

"It is important that students try to live the most sustainable life they can. This challenge is a great way to track their progress of living a better life," Madison Stumbo, campus Net Impact leader, said.

Last semester, over 1,000 students at over 30 college campuses

completed more than 4,000 actions and this semester over 50 schools will be involved, Campbell said.

Stumbo, who helped Wartburg win Small Steps last semester, said she got involved because she thought it would be successful here at Wartburg.

"I think the amount of students who participated really helped. We had approximately 20 percent of the campus participate," Stumbo said.

To track students small step actions they are tallied up on Net Impact's website and it shows how active each campus is. Points are awarded for each action students take, Campbell said.

"Easier actions like watching an educational video have small point values while harder actions like organizing a volunteer day have more," Campbell said.

Top individual and campus point earners can win prizes like the opportunity to job shadow at Kiva, a non-profit poverty organization, or tickets to Coachella, Campbell said.

Stumbo said to keep Wartburg's winning streak alive more students need to get involved.

"It is important that students continue to report their actions and keep with it," Stumbo said.

Faculty compares Obamacare to Alberta Health

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health care. Wilson is a permanent resident of Alberta, Canada, so he holds insurance in two countries.

All basic health services are covered through the public insurance, Alberta Health, Wilson said.

Wilson said one of the biggest differences between the Alberta health care system and the U.S. health care system is not the quality of services, but money.

"The premium I pay in Alberta is a little more than one-third of what I pay here," Wilson said. "Here there are consistent co-pays. It's not a big deal, but you go to see the doctor and there is a fee to pay. That just doesn't exist in Canada."

Wilson said his concern about ObamaCare is that it does not fundamentally change the structure of U.S. health care. The system now requires more people to purchase health care from private companies, it could just become a "money funnel" to those companies, he said.

"In Canada, there's a notion that access to basic health care is essentially a right. It would be nice to see that change in attitude in the U.S.," Wilson said.

For more information on the changes to health care, visit <http://healthreform.kff.org/>.

Grace seeking staff for sub shop

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been decided if this Jimmy John's will be.

"A lot of the larger schools have Jimmy John's that are open past bar rush. I don't know if there is enough interest or enough critical mass in Waverly and a school the size of Wartburg to create enough business," Grace said.

Grace said he plans on beginning the hiring process in early

February and needs 25-30 people to staff the shop.

Grace said when the sandwich shop does open he will be working alongside the other workers.

"At least at the front end I will be involved. I will be in there slapping mayonnaise on sandwiches and throwing them out too," Grace said. "I will be in there with my Jimmy John's cap on saying hello to everybody."



Gary Grace is opening a Jimmy John's sub restaurant next to Family Video. He is beginning the hiring process in February and hopes to be open for business in March. — Erin Ridgeway/TRUMPET

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OPINION & EDITORIAL

Why mentoring month matters

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January is National Mentoring Month.

In the hustle and bustle of a new semester it might be easy to overlook this opportunity for reflection and action.

However, I would suggest this month affords each and every one of us an opportunity to consider how we might pay it forward. What do I mean by that?

I am sure each of us can think

of individuals who have both challenged and nurtured us thus far on life's journey – those special individuals who motivated us when we most needed it, asking for nothing in return.

I would wager that if asked, most of these individuals would suggest the best way to pay them back is to utilize our own unique skills and abilities to mentor others.

It is through the mentorship of others that we best honor those who have mentored us. If we all ascribed to this pay it forward mentality, each of us could have limitless positive influence in the world. Oftentimes when we think of mentoring, we think of

formalized mentoring programs in business settings.

Although a great deal of research originally focused on the benefits of mentoring within this context, mentoring now occurs in nearly any setting and through all stages of our lives.

No longer is mentoring considered to only occur when a more “senior” member imparts knowledge upon a more “junior” member.

Today, it is widely recognized that EACH of us has the skills and abilities to be successful in mentoring others.

However, it is essential that we take the time to recognize the many opportunities that are ripe

to build meaningful connections with others.

Mentoring often requires us to stretch our thinking beyond simply focusing on differences among one another and recognize that we all have something in common – the desire to reach our full potential.

Every day at Wartburg College we have the opportunity to reach out to others and inspire them to go beyond their sometimes self-imposed limitations.

Whether it is in the classroom, “The W,” the music hall, the dining center or residence hall, a few simple words of encouragement can make the world of difference to others. I understand that this

can take some bravery, but think about where you might be or what opportunities you may have missed if someone hadn't been brave and shared with you the gift of mentoring.

So, as we embark on the journey of a new semester I urge you to consider ways in which you might make National Mentoring Month something special.

Think about the how you might honor your own mentors.

Certainly it is important to thank those mentors personally.

But just as importantly, consider ways to pay it forward by taking the opportunity to encourage and motivate others to reach their own potential.

Choice Words | WARTBURG SOUNDS OFF

My Dearest Wartburg West Family, What I wouldn't give to eat some Famous pizza for dinner, have a little Sweet Action for dessert, and get a drink at Badgers with you all. Miss you guys!

- Fall 2012 Denver lover

Every time the temperature drops, so does the likelihood of me shaving my legs. I'm trying to get all the warmth possible.

- I hate goosebumps and I'm lazy

What's with the chili lately? I didn't order chunks of tomato and a couple beans.

- Not a tomato fan

So much for my final semester being an easy one.

- Thanks Capstone

To the track athlete who dropped all the bowls on Saturday, next time just reach for the top one.

- Just sayin'

Welcome to Waverly, where the middle school has better facilities than the college in town.

- I want to go back to middle school

Since none of my teams are in the Super Bowl, I'm going to watch the Puppy Bowl.

- Not ashamed

There are few things in this world that make people less chill than telling them to “chill out.”

- Pet peeve

That awkward moment when the only chance you have to read a book you have always wanted to is when it's assigned for class.

- Apparently too busy

I thought the ice on the trees was kind of pretty today, until I walked outside of my house and almost fell on my face.

- It's not as pretty as it looks

Dear Mother Nature, Although I enjoy ice skating, I did not bring my skates to campus. I wish you would've warned us.

- Thank God for Skywalks

I don't know Tom, he may have messed up a little on the 540 720 metwist helicopter tailgrabber deluxe.

- X-Games announcer wannabe

Take Two: 'Django Unchained'

SYNOPSIS: Jamie Foxx stars as Django, the reprehensible slave that is transformed into a vindictive bounty hunter, driven by indignation and an ultimate quest to be reunited once again with his beloved.

He partners up with a German bounty hunter, Dr. King Schultz (played by Christoph Waltz) who is in America searching for the outlaw Brittle brothers.

When the two meet up they work together to take down a tyrannical plantation owner, Calvin Candie played by Leonardo DiCaprio.

Django's over-arching goal is to be reunited with his wife and to save her from the slave trade before it's too late.

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As with *Inglourious Basterds*, Tarantino sets his fantastical film against a challenging historical backdrop.

In this case it's a spaghetti western set in the 1800's during the time of slavery in the United States.

Django's journey is structured as a *Basterds* revenge fantasy and is also slyly referred to in the film, by Christoph Waltz's character, Dr. King Schultz, who fails to recollect the specifics of a German fairytale about a princess that shares the name of Django's wife, Broomhilda.

Django, like the hero in the story, sets forth to rescue his princess from the dragon atop the hill; itself a possible allusion to Calvin Candie; the plantation owner of Candy Land, who is brilliantly played by Leonardo DiCaprio.

His right-hand, Stephen, played by Samuel L. Jackson, is an unnerving portrait of an Uncle Tom that seeps with vehement disregard for the lives of his fellow slaves and uses his position to shrewdly run Candy Land when Calvin is not around.

The film is as bloody as any Tarantino fair and at times the gore is gratuitous.

More squeamish members of the audience will be happy to know that Tarantino's intelligent script manages to handle with humor what many would consider a somber and difficult subject.

Despite the film's detractors, whose most potent criticism is the film's use of the N-word, “Django Unchained” nonetheless manages to deftly deploy and weave through its bombastic cast and challenging subject matter with a finesse all too absent in contemporary cinema.

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Tarantino unleashes yet another gory, entertaining cinematic wonder to the big screen with “Django Unchained.”

We see Christoph Waltz who was cast in Tarantino's *Inglourious Basterds*, amuse us with his eccentric but refreshing sense of humor.

Though a nuthouse of manipulation and mendacity, he still charms his way to our hearts with his charismatic showmanship.

Waltz, who plays Dr. Schultz, the seemingly bland but swift bounty hunter, identifies Django as a necessary asset to his business.

They become formidable allies and together embark on this perilous but thrilling journey to rescue Django's wife (Kerry Washington) from the daunting dungeons of her barbaric, blood thirsty master – Calvin Candie, who is marvelously portrayed by the three-time Academy Award nominee, Leonardo DiCaprio.

This cast is enlivened by Samuel Jackson, who plays Stephen, the overbearing but high-spirited house slave who is vigorously loyal to Mr. Candie.

Despite Tarantino's usual overindulgence in blood spatter is still present, but the film lends itself to the idea of the sordid nature of the human condition and the unparalleled tenacity of the human spirit.

I, for one, admired Tarantino's bravery in tackling the subject of the racism of America's past and the slavery involved.

The hellish ordeal presented leaves viewers cringing at the edge of their seats, while holding their attention hostage till the triumphant end of the film.

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Slam poets receive positive student reaction

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If you passed the Lyceum last Wednesday night, you probably caught the sounds of fast-paced spoken beat and laughter.

ETK presented The Dynamic Duo, comprised of two spoken word poets from Denver, Colo., to around 40 Wartburg students Jan. 23.

Spoken word breaks the traditional norm of poetry by incorporating various elements of speech and rap.

"It emphasizes the speaking part of it and the way that it's presented to invoke emotions beyond just the words on the page," Cody Osegard, president of ETK, said.

"I loved the event," Joe Strong, an audience member, said. "I didn't have much exposure to things like slam poetry in high school or growing up so this was a different experience for me."

The two poets, Panama Soweto and Ken Arkind, often played off of each other during their poems and even beat boxed.

Topics covered ranged from relationships, popular culture, depression, and even video games.

Though the Duo cracked countless jokes, they also shed light on serious issues.

Soweto recited a poem about his hometown of Aurora, Colo. and the heroes of the June 20 shooting this past summer.

The poem was entitled "Aurora Doesn't Need a Batman."

"We use poetry to heal," Soweto said. "It's pretty important to us."

The Duo's personal stories and push for the audience to express themselves proved inspiring.

"I really loved the line 'I have to take things back to the inspiration, to the heart and the hand,'" Strong said.

"It kind of reminded me to do the same thing with everyday tasks. Especially being a music education major, it reminded me about what made me want to teach."

In the midst of giving critiques of society and international voting rights, Soweto and Arkind asked for audience interaction.

"They're a lot more engaging than a lot of spoken word poets," Osegard said. "They've been doing this for a long time."

The humor and serious messages from the Duo left audience members reeling.

"You walk out of it and it's not like, I just sat and listened to an hour of poetry," Osegard said. "It really gets you thinking, and afterward you're like, 'Oh my gosh,

that was so cool.' Once I left I had so much going through my head about what they had just presented to me."

Strong said the event didn't feel

like it lasted two hours.

"The energy level they brought really drew me in and kept my attention for the whole performance," Strong said.



Ken Arkind (left) and Panama Soweto performed poetry through the use of rap, jokes entertainment for an ETK event Wednesday, Jan. 23 in the Lyceum. —Emily Novotny / TRUMPET

Students participate in national mentoring month



Derica Jakoubek (left) and Amy Kobliska spend time in the Den through the CAP program. — Erin Ridgeway / TRUMPET

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Wartburg is home to a mentor program called the College Achievement Program, or CAP, which was started seven years ago, said Michael Gleason, Pathways associate for vocation & mentoring.

CAP was geared more toward academic success, but in recent years, has included other things in its vision, Gleason said.

"The main intention is to help students in really three different facets think about how they can put their skills to best use in terms of their major and what to do with that major," Gleason said.

Gleason said the program is a little more comprehensive in what students learn compared to how it

was when it first started.

This year, there are 60-70 mentees and 16 mentors.

Gleason said, the process of pairing a mentee with a mentor is a difficult process.

He said that when pairing, they look at things like co-curricular activities and academic interest.

They also have to go with gut reaction sometimes, Gleason said.

Shelby Sieren and Kelli Miller are mentors for CAP.

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— Kelli Miller

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Miller said her favorite part of being a CAP mentor is meeting with her mentees.

Sieren said her favorite part is seeing the changes her mentees make.

Some Wartburg students have become mentors by joining Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Matthew Brady has been a Big Brother since 2011.

Brady said he saw an ad for it in Knightline, but didn't know it was in Waverly until then.

He said his favorite part of being a Big Brother is "being there for someone younger who may need

someone."

Jordan Richards joined Big Brothers Big Sisters about one and a half years ago.

Richards said he heard about the program through Brady.

Both Brady and Richards are part of the community-based program, which lasts for 18 months at a minimum, Richards said.

"It is awesome to get away from college for like an hour and a half once a week to hang out with a younger kid," Richards said. "Their minds are just all over the place."

The application process for CAP is starting soon and applications can be found online.

"I think that is an important lesson for everyone, no matter who you interact with," Miller said. "Everyone has hard things they are going through, but the people who are sometimes the easiest to judge and push aside are often the people that need you the most."

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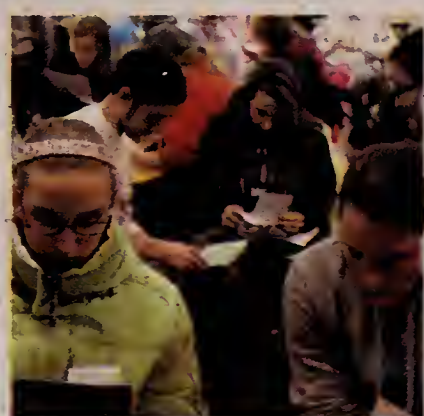
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

CELEBRATING THE
DREAM

Tim Flores was given a "child" to look after during the poverty simulation. If he did not take care of his "child", it could be taken away by child services and Flores would have gone to jail.



The poverty simulation showed students and other volunteers what it would be like to be in poverty for the day through a simulation.



Nicole Harrison (left) and **Ashley Kovarik** (right) took part in the poverty simulation. Identities were given out to each person along with money.



Justin Cartwright (left) and **Kelli Miller** (right) talked before the sendoff. Miller works for the Volunteer Action Center which helps with some of the activities that take place on MLK day.



Students that attended the service project sendoff got motivated and pumped up before projects for the day started. Events for the day included both on and off campus projects.



Mycala Briggs talked to volunteers during the service project sendoff. Some projects were Blankets of Love, a poverty simulation, a trip to NorthStar Community Services and Aspire.

Neumann Crew keeps the shows running

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After 50 years from when it was originally built, Neumann Auditorium still hosts the biggest events at Wartburg College.

Seating nearly 1,200 individuals, the preparation for each event comes with many sleepless nights. Production Manager Hans Pregler said.

Along with 22 Neumann staff workers, Pregler said there is a lot of work put into each show that most people do not realize.

"We spend countless hours together and that is why we consider ourselves a family," Pregler said. "We all look out for one another, and that is why working with students is the best."

Besides the working environment, Pregler said each day is unique with stage set ups, light checks and sound checks.

With around 150 shows per year, Pregler said it allows the students to become more refined and creative on what they do.

Mitch Hrovat, a three-year Neumann staff worker, said without Neumann crew, a lot of things could potentially go wrong during events.

"Since Neumann is so old, we are trained specifically to abide by the safety precautions," Hrovat said. "Not just any outside crew could work in Neumann because they wouldn't know exactly how the building adapts to their equipment."

Pregler loves the student's energy. Hrovat volunteered to be one of the main soundboard engineers, which Pregler said, can be very difficult.

"It is a daunting task. For some shows, we have 30 channels of audio running which is a mammoth size audio, and if something goes wrong, he is the person everyone looks at," Pregler said.

There are many Neumann staff workers that are involved with music on campus. Cody Osegard said being apart of Neumann staff gives him a better understanding of how much time is spent planning and creating musical concerts such as Christmas with Wartburg.

"Even though Christmas with Wartburg is in December, Neumann crew starts planning a whole year in advance and setting up in October," said Osegard. "Without the Neumann crew, Wartburg would not be nationally known for this concert."

Christmas with Wartburg is the biggest musical event at Wartburg College. Pregler said that for every one minute of stage time, it takes two hours of rehearsal.

Overall Pregler said he wishes more students would appreciate the time they put into each event.

"We bring in and produce a lot of amazing shows, but a lot of people do not care. This is something that if you were not a student, you would have to pay for," Pregler said. "Students need to take advantage of the opportunities we provide for them."



Mitch Hrovat took on the challenge of the main soundboard because of his love of music. — Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

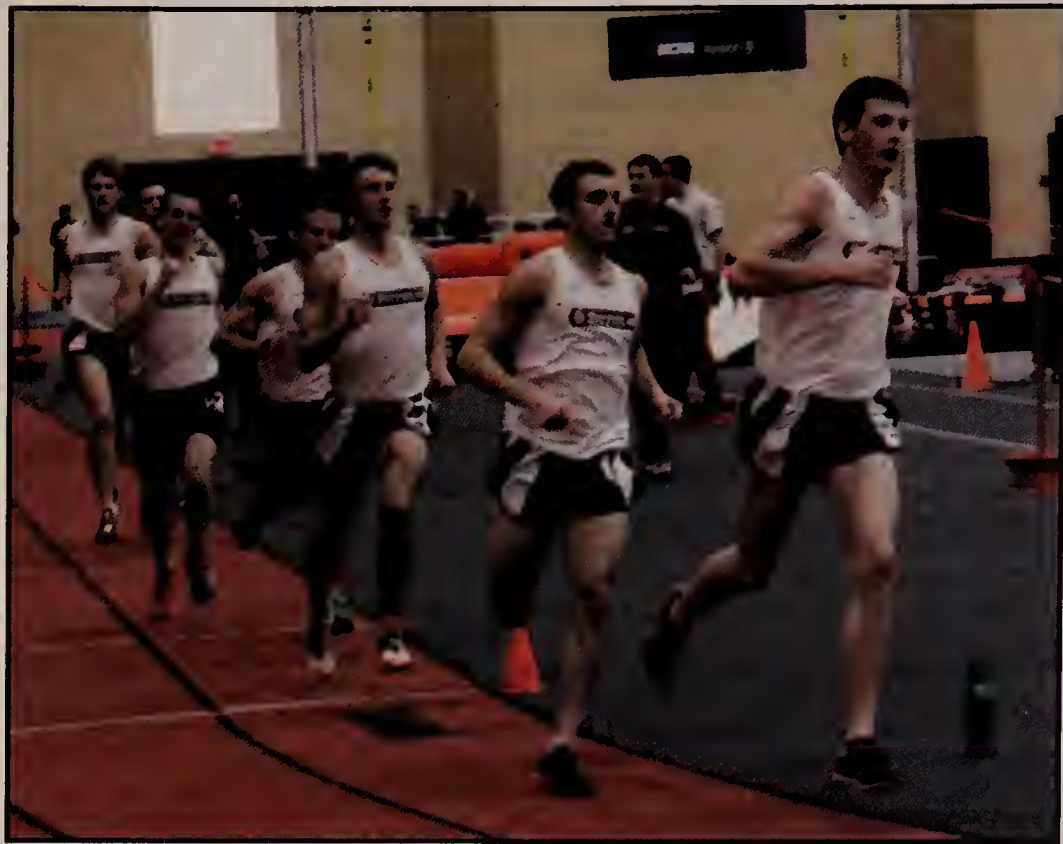


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SPORTS

Track teams crush Grand View at home



Wartburg runners (from left to right) Nathan Kluender, Josh Lyons, Liam Hartley, Brandon Hosch, Derek Beaumier and Kevin Whaley race in the mile run Saturday at Hoover Fieldhouse. —Emily NovotnyTRUMPET

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The No. 1 ranked women's and No. 16 ranked men's indoor track teams hosted Grand View Friday and Saturday and both came away victorious.

The women won 15 events on their way to a 391-148 victory over the Vikings.

Winners included Libby Schubert (200m, 26.74), Karly Cochran (400m, 57.70), Erika Swearson (600m, 1:42.06), Haddie Vawter (800m, 2:19.09), Kaly Adkins (1,000m, 3:15.04), Sammi Bruett (1 Mile, 5:09.83), Alana Enabnit (3,000m, 10:10.65) and Camesha Goods (60m Hurdles, 8.98; Long Jump, 5.20m).

Two relay teams for the Knights also took home top honors including the 4x400m relay team of Schubert, Monique Davisson, Ashlee Downs and Erica Dynes (1:46.91) and the 4x400m relay team of Cochran, Taylor Moore, Kristin Canning and Chelsey Henkenius (3:58.58).

The distance medley squad of Moore, Kayla Kregel,

Kendra Kregel and Adkins was also victorious (12:54.53).

Mary Wrage (High Jump, 1.47m and Kayla Hemann (Shot Put, 13.82m; Weight Throw, 15.36m) won field events for the Knights while Mia Purnell won the Pentathlon with 2,901 points.

The men's team defeated Grand View 375-232 and won a total of eleven events.

Winners included Larry Johnson (200m, 22.64; 60m Hurdles, 8.32, Daniel Bonthius (1,000m, 2:35.19, Parker Comentino (1 Mile, 4:22.66) and Bennet Moser (3,000m, 8:57.51).

Dallas Koppes, Dominique Fagan, Justin Meyer and Nicholas Green won the 4x400m relay (3:24.98) while Bonthius, Meyer, Fagan and Eric Sletten were distance medley champions (10:51.00).

Tim Flores (Pole Vault, 4.25m, Nate Moeller (Long Jump, 6.35m), Colt Feltes (Shot Put, 15.20m; Weight Throw, 16.70m) also won individual titles for Wartburg.

The track teams will run in another home meet this weekend as they host five other teams for the Wartburg Indoor Select.

Knights can't overcome slow start

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The first-half offensive struggles continued for the Wartburg women's basketball team Saturday as they dug themselves into a 31-14 hole at the break before falling to Loras 67-52 at Levick Arena.

The loss was the second in six days to the Duhawks (16-3, 6-2), who held the Knights (12-7, 5-3) to 12 first-half points last Monday in Dubuque in a 50-38 win.

"The last nine, 10 minutes of the first half [Saturday] certainly reminded me of that [last Monday]. We got stagnant again but we know what we gotta do," Amsberry said.

Wartburg looked to have put Monday behind them with a 61-54 victory over Luther last Wednesday and an 8-2 run to start the game Saturday.

"I thought early we played really well together. We attacked their pressure well, we moved well, we shared the ball well and then for whatever reason we got really stagnant and had troubles scoring," Amsberry said.

Loras scored on five of their last six first-half possessions including a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

Wartburg meanwhile shot just 30 percent from the field including 0-for-5 from 3-point range.

"We dug a really big hole and it's really hard to get out against a really good team," Amsberry said.

The Knights had a better second half offensively, scoring 38 points on 42.9 percent shooting but could not overcome the early deficit.

Abi Weidemann led the way with 13 points while Bobbi Burrows gave the Knights a spark off the bench for the second straight game with eight points.

She had 13 points Wednesday including 11 in the second-half, a big reason why Wartburg was able to

pull away from Luther.

"Bobbi's a really good player and she's continuing to get more and more comfortable. She's really talented offensively and we've gotta find ways to utilize what she can do and we're starting to," Amsberry said.

The loss drops the Knights to third place in the IIAC while Loras took control of second place.

Wartburg takes on Dubuque Wednesday in the team's second matchup of the season.

The Knights won 78-73 on Jan. 5 despite Mollie Whiting scoring 38 points for the Spartans.

Amsberry said the Knights have to continue sharing the ball like they did in the second half Saturday.

"When we do it [play together and share the ball] we're really

good and when we don't do it we're really bad," Amsberry said. "It's just a matter of continuing to have more stretches where we're really good."

IIAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Simpson	8-0	18-1
Loras	6-2	16-3
Wartburg	5-3	12-7
Coe	4-4	11-8
Luther	3-5	11-8
Dubuque	3-5	13-6
Central	2-6	9-10
Buena Vista	1-7	8-11



Abi Weidemann gets into the lane against Loras Saturday at Levick Arena. She led the Knights with 13 points. —Emily NovotnyTRUMPET



Cathy Reiter defends Luther's Meagan Koepnick Wednesday at Levick Arena. Wartburg won 61-54. —Erin RidgewayTRUMPET

Wartburg splits with Luther

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Freshman Bobbi Burrows was not expected to have the biggest game of her young career against Wartburg's arch rival Luther, but she did and her team needed it.

With just a 25-23 lead starting the second half the Knights needed a spark and that's what Burrows gave them.

"She really made some good plays offensively, hit a three, got a transition steal layup, and a back door layup those were just huge plays," head coach Bob Amsberry said.

The Knights (12-6, 5-2) never trailed in the second half on their way to a 61-54 victory Wednesday over the Norse (10-8, 2-5), Wartburg's seventh straight victory in the series.

Burrows scored 11 of her 13 points in the second half tied her for the scoring lead with Carly Jacobs Wednesday night.

Baileigh O'Brien put up 12 points and came away with five boards and four steals.

Read the full recap online at wartburgcircuit.org.

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Eddie Diemer had 10 points in the first half but left the game late in the half with an ankle injury and never returned as Luther (12-5, 6-1) outscored Wartburg (10-7, 5-2) 40-29 in the second half to pull away for a 75-61 victory Wednesday.

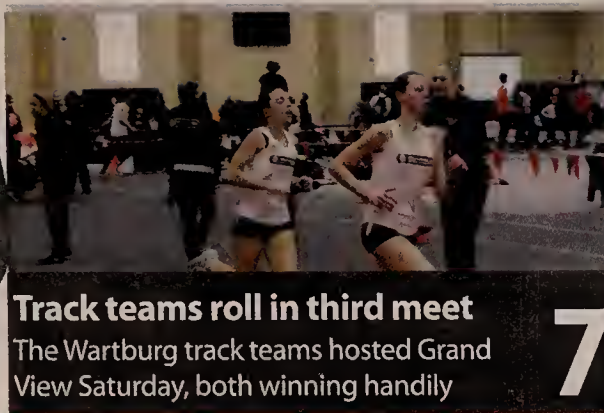
6'9" Tyler Wedemeier had 18 points and 6'5" Zach Matos added 15 for the Norse against an undersized Knight's team without Diemer, Wartburg's 6'8" leading scorer.

"I thought Eddie was off to a great start until he went down and I think that may have had a little bit of an impact on what we did offensively as well," head coach Dick Peth said after the Knights dropped their second game in a row.

Luther led for the majority of the game including jumping out to a 12-point lead in the first half before Wartburg cut it to 35-32 at the break.

The Norse got off to another good start in the second half, leading 46-40 with 16:05 to play.

You can find the full recap at wartburgcircuit.org



Track teams roll in third meet
The Wartburg track teams hosted Grand View Saturday, both winning handily

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday	W/M Basketball @ Dubuque
Thursday	Wrestling @ Augsburg
Friday	Indoor Track vs. Wartburg Select
Saturday	Wrestling @ Loras Open
	Indoor Track vs. Wartburg Select
	W/M Basketball @ Central
Sunday	Men's Tennis vs. Edgewood

Wrestlers go 3-0 at IIAC Duals

Wartburg finishes regular season 7-0 in conference, will host Coe for IIAC championship

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On Saturday the Knights swept their competition at the Iowa Conference Duals in Dubuque, defeating Central, Buena Vista and Dubuque.

First up for Wartburg was No. 29 Central. The only two Knights to lose were Gilberto Camacho and Phil Hawes.

Kenny Anderson came up with Wartburg's only pin and Kodie

Silvestri recorded a technical fall. The Knights defeated the Dutch by a final of 34-6.

Wartburg annihilated Buena Vista by a final of 53-0 in a dual that only lasted 35 minutes.

Camacho recorded a technical fall then Anderson, Cole Welter, Punahale Soriano and Ryan Fank all won by fall.

Camacho started things off in the final match against No. 26 Dubuque with a major decision win over Nicholas Rivera.

Then Anderson added a technical fall against Chris Sokol and at 141 pounds, Andrew Johnson lost to Brian Travis by a final of 9-6.

Silvestri then pinned Ben Schneider to give Wartburg a 15-3 lead.

Welter came up with a 6-1 decision in a hard fought match and Williams added a technical fall against Joseph Kubica.

At 174 pounds, Azinger lost by a final of 5-3 to Derek Mizaur but at 184 pounds, Gerard Roman won by fall just over one minute into the match against Matthew Leveille.

Hawes won by a 19-7 major decision at 197 pounds against Joseph Shue.



Puna Soriano takes control of Buena Vista's Jared Brounaugh Saturday at the Iowa Conference Duals in Dubuque. Soriano won by fall in 4:30 to give the Knights a 43-0 lead. —Shelby Granath/TRUMPET

"For the most part, I felt pretty good about today," co-head coach Eric Keller said.

"I thought the effort as a collective team was good. Guys are starting to put together some little things like wrestling the whole entire match, that last dual especially."

The IIAC Championship will be on Feb. 8 and it will be No. 1 seed Wartburg hosting No. 2 seed Coe.

This meet will determine the conference champion since the conference tournament no longer exists.

"I knew it would probably be Luther or Coe," Keller said. "But I mean for us it doesn't matter, we're going to prepare the same way regardless of who it is."

The Knights defeated Loras 34-6 on Tuesday and came away victorious on Senior Night against No. 28

Cornell by a final of 34-13. Check out full results from those duals on wartburgcircuit.org.

Next up for the Knights will be this Thursday as they travel to Minnesota to take on Augsburg (5-4) in the annual "Battle of the Burgs."

"It's going to be a battle, it always is with the traditions that both programs have," Keller said.

IIAC WRESTLING STANDINGS

Wartburg	7-0	17-0
Coe	6-1	12-5
Luther	3-2	8-7
Dubuque	3-3	8-7
Loras	3-3	8-7
Central	1-4	10-5
Buena Vista	1-5	1-6
Simpson	0-6	1-12

Men's basketball bounces back from two straight losses

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The Wartburg men's basketball team narrowly escaped with a 58-55 victory over the Loras Duhawks at Levick Arena Saturday.

The Knights had a great beginning to the game, leading Loras by 17 at one time. The Duhawks didn't reach double digits until there was 10:06 left in the first half, with Wartburg leading 25-11.

After that, the game began to shift in Loras' favor. The half ended

with the Knights up by ten, 33-23.

The second half was close throughout as Loras tied the game at 47 apiece with 6:26 left in the game and took the lead seconds later.

Wartburg and Loras fought back and forth for the lead. The Knights pulled ahead with 2:28 left and a 57-51 lead.

The Duhawks fought hard bringing the score back up to 57-55 on a Bobby Harmening steal and layup, but it wasn't enough for the Duhawks.

The game was sealed as Jake Reinhardt for Wartburg nailed a free throw making it 58-55, and Loras missed a half-court shot at the buzzer.

"We need to understand that we have to value every possession offensively, and that every defensive possession is going to be war," Wartburg head coach Dick Peth said.

Sophomore Dan Van Groningen had a career best 12 points. That total includes shooting 5-of-6 from the floor and 2-of-3 from 3-point range.

"This is something to build on. As long as we can continue to

progress and build from here, I think we have a really good chance to continue to do well," said Van Groningen.

Other big scorers on the night were Mitchell Murphy with 11 points and Thomas Perkins with eight.

The Knights had to play without the help of one of the key players on the team, junior Eddie Diemer. Diemer suffered an ankle injury during the game against Luther last Wednesday. Peth hopes to have him back next week.

This was an important win for the Knights bouncing back from a two-game losing streak. The Knights were unbeaten in conference play until losing to Loras 72-64, on Monday. They then lost to number one in the conference Luther on Wednesday 75-61.

"We really wanted to get this one. They were the one that broke our undefeated streak in conference. It was good to get back on the right track and keep rolling and try to finish out conference in the same manner," Van Groningen said.

Wartburg's next game is Wednesday in Dubuque against the UD Spartans at 8 p.m.



Point guard Mitchell Murphy puts a shot up against Loras Saturday at Levick Arena. —Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

IIAC MEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Luther	7-1	14-5
Wartburg	6-2	11-7
Buena Vista	6-2	14-5
Dubuque	4-4	14-5
Coe	4-4	11-8
Simpson	2-6	6-13
Central	2-6	9-9
Loras	1-7	6-13